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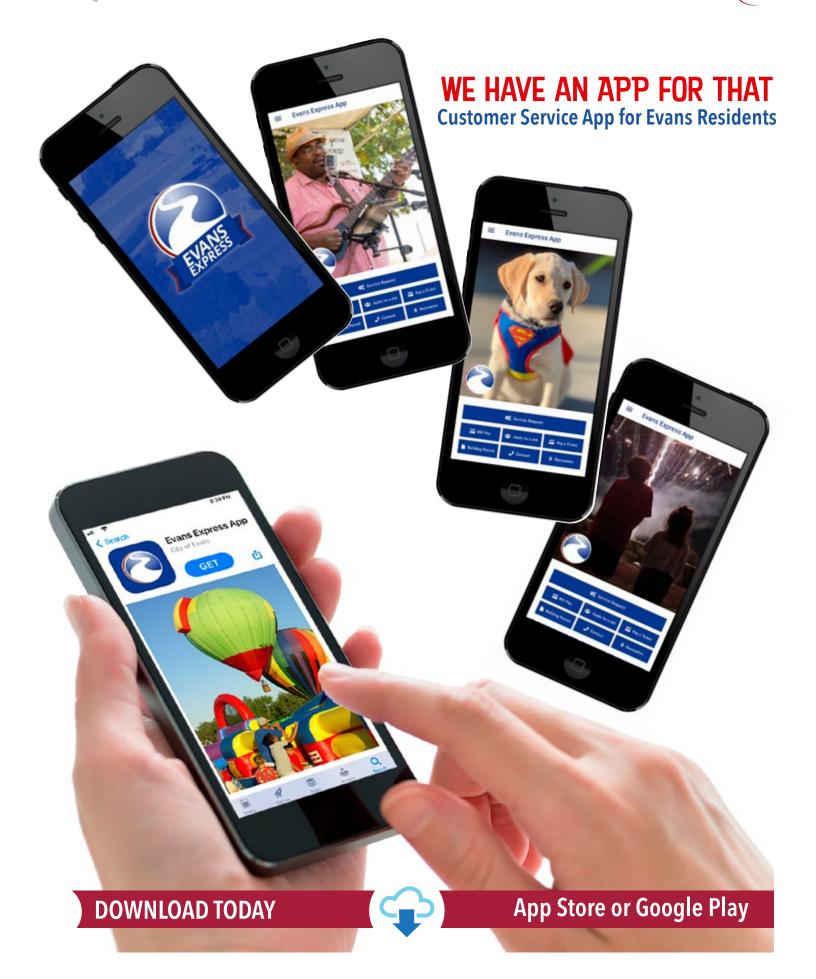
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Evans Students return to the Classroom

Optimism is building for 2021-2022 semesters after one the most challenging school years in history.



Masks, social distancing, and remote learning were the topics that dominated discussion around the Greeley-Evans school district in 2020-2021, as the regulations in reaction to the COVID-19 pandemic ravaged Weld County and the state of Colorado.

The Delta variant has kept COVID in the discussion and on the minds of administrators as they navigate best policy practices, but vaccines has quelled the fire for many, and as we enter a new school year students and teachers are hoping to return to a semblance of normalcy.

The Evans Police Department has coordinated with the district to provide a School Resource Officer that assists with security, safety, mental health, and general support to students. The Evans PD also facilitate event management and traffic control in-and-out of school.

Here are a few important tips from the Evans Police:

- Slow down in school zones. Residents and commuters should expect increased police presence in school zones to encourage drivers to use caution on streets adjacent to the schools.
- For students walking to school: Walk together Younger children should always walk with an adult. Tell your parents that walking is great exercise and a nice way to spend time together. If your parents say that you can walk to school on your own, remember these tips:
 - ◆ Walk with a friend when possible.
 - Ask your parents to help you pick a safe route to school; one that avoids dangers.
 - Stick to the route you picked with your parents. Don't let friends talk you into shortcuts that are more dangerous.
 - ◆ When you are near the street, don't push, shove, or chase each other
 - Never hitchhike or take rides from people not arranged by your parents.
 - Talk to your parents and teacher about any bullying that may happen during your walk.
 - ◆ **BE SEEN!** Remember, drivers may not be able to see you well. Always wear bright-colored clothes and if it is dark or hard to see, carry flashlights or wear reflective gear. Look for traffic. Watch out for cars and trucks at every driveway and intersection on your walk to school. Look for drivers in parked cars. They may be getting ready to move.



Cross the street safely

- Stop at the curb or edge of the street.
- 2 Look left, right, left and behind you and in front of you for traffic.
- Wait until no traffic is coming and begin crossing.
- Keep looking for traffic until you have finished crossing.
- Walk, don't run across the street. Obey traffic signs, signals and adult school crossing guards

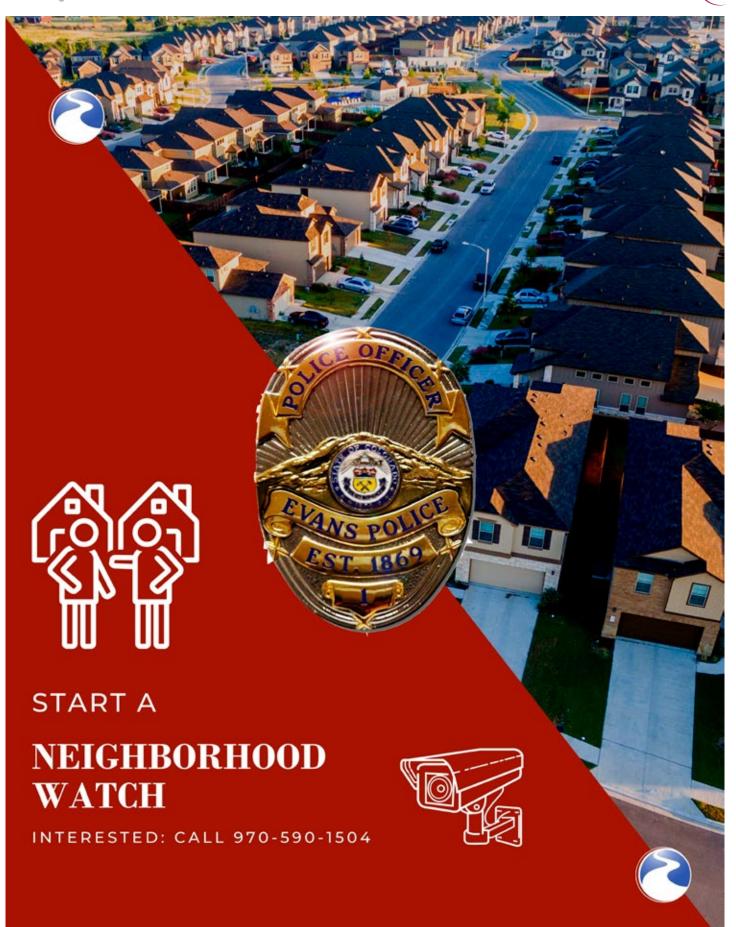


Can You Donate School Supplies?

The Evans Police Department have setup a donation box where residents can donate school supplies to assist students in need. The box is located outside the front desk of the Evans Polce Department, located inside the Evans Community Complex at 1100 37th Street.

Donations will be accepted M-F, 8am-5pm.





National Night Out returns August 3rd

Your neighborhood is invited to participate with many other neighborhoods and businesses across the City of Evans in celebration of National Night Out on Tuesday evening, August 3rd, 2021.



This year is the 38th anniversary of this event with over 38 million people across the country expected to participate. Registration is free, so register your neighborhood for this year's event today. You do NOT have to be a current Neighborhood Watch neighborhood to participate. National Night Out is for everyone! Register now and begin planning your event as soon as possible.





Participating neighborhoods nationwide are asked to turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors, citizens, and police. Neighborhoods will be hosting a variety of events ranging from small potlucks and barbecues to large block parties. Some additional event ideas include; but are not limited to ice cream socials, games, contests, discussing neighborhood issues, setting neighborhood goals, beautifying a common area, discussing or planning a Neighborhood Watch Program. It's up to you—be creative, have fun and celebrate with your neighbors!

National Night Out is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts.
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships.
- Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and increasingly aware of their surroundings.

National Night Out is a crime and drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Evans Police Department.

For more information contact

Officer Teresa McClatchey at the Evans Police Department (970) 590-1504 or email at tmcclatchey@evanscolorado.gov.





Fire Department takes Center Stage in July Teen Police Academy







During four days during in July, the Evans Police Department held the Teen Police Academy at the Evans Community Complex. The class was the second of two, weeklong sessions produced by the Evans PD. The first one took place in June at Prairie View Middle School.

"The kids love it"

In the second session, students got an intimate look at the fire department's jaws of life. The JOL is a tool the department uses to rescue individuals who have been involved in a severe traffic accident.

"The kids love it," Evans Police Officer Luis Garcia said.
"When they get to jump in and be a part of the day-to-day activities of Law Enforcement, they grow respect for the job and they have fun doing it."

Participants in the class get hands-on experience with an array of Police activities, including radar detection, crime scene investigation, sobriety checks, traffic accidents, and a variety of Law Enforcement scenarios.

"The goal of these classes is to give middle-school aged kids tangible experience with Police procedures. There's a lot of misinformation and misunderstanding about what Police do and this class helps connect kids to cops in a controlled environment, where we can explain and examine the reasons we do what we do. It's an environment that allows for context without the noise of social media and other outlets that can distort the truth," Garcia said.

The Evans Police Department is not new to holding interactive classes designed to strengthen the relationship between Police and the public. Prior to COVID-19, the Evans PD held a Citizens Police Academy for adults twice per year. It is a free class and is geared towards middle school aged kids in the Evans Community.

Interested participants should contact Officer Teresa McClatchey at 970-590-1504 or email tmcclatchey@evanscolorado.gov.

Learn from the Cops how to be a Cop: Sign up for the Citizens Police Academy



The Evans Police Department is pleased to announce our 2021 Citizens Police Academy. The nine-week academy will run September 7 thru November 2, 2021, with most classes held on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This year, we're adding a class at the range. The range session is scheduled for Saturday, October 9 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The Citizens Police Academy promotes community partnerships and is designed to familiarize individuals with the day-to-day operations of the police department. Participants will attend lectures on topics such as crime scene investigations, traffic enforcement, accident investigation, SWAT, narcotics, firearms, and less lethal force.

The program is free of charge. Seating is limited to 25 participants and you must be at least 18 years of age to participate. A background check will be completed on applicants prior to acceptance. Applications can be obtained at the Evans Police Department front desk during regular business hours, Monday through Friday between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, or by contacting Officer Teresa McClatchey at 970-590-1504 or email at tmcclatchey@evanscolorado.gov.

Application deadline is August 24, 2021



The Neighborhood Party Trailer is now available to Evans residents and businesses to reserve for neighborhood block parties and similar community events, for free!

What is it?

The Neighborhood Party Trailer was made possible by a generous donation from Sam's Club, and contains all of the essentials to host a block party, neighborhood watch meeting, or similar community event. The organizer simply reserves the trailer, invites the guests, and makes arrangements for food and drinks. The Neighborhood Party Trailer is a great tool to build community, strengthen neighborhoods, and to get outside and enjoy our beautiful City!



The trailer includes: 10 tables 48 chairs 4 trash cans

2 coolers with ice 2 water coolers 12 traffic cones Corn Hole Boards Giant Jenga 6 Hula Hoops 8 Jump Ropes Sidewalk Chalk

How does it work?

Organizers looking to host an event need only check the dates that the trailer is available for reservation, and apply to reserve the trailer. Staff will review the application as quickly as possible and contact the applicant to confirm the reservation, or to

gather additional information and work out the details. On the day of the reservation, City staff will deliver and secure the trailer, and contact the organizer with a code to unlock the trailer. The organizer may then unlock and use the contents of the trailer, and when finished, replace clean items to their designated locations, and lock the doors. Staff will return during working hours to retrieve the trailer.

Who can reserve it?

Any resident of Evans, 18 or older, is eligible to reserve the trailer. The applicant must demonstrate in the application that the event is a community event such as a block party or neighborhood watch meeting, and not a private event such as a birthday or graduation party.

How do I reserve it?

Check the dates that the trailer is available here > https://bit.ly/3xODrT7
Submit a complete reservation application here > https://bit.ly/3vU77wW







Heritage Day returns in 2021

"Anytime we can celebrate together we're a stronger community"

After a yearlong hiatus due to COVID-19, Evans signature celebration is back for two days in the fall.

The sound of music, the smell of food, and the leaves in East Evans as the dawn of fall enters the foothills of Colorado. Those are the sensory triggers that remind us of Evans annual celebration known as Heritage Days, and those familiar sights, scents and sounds will return on September 17th & 18 after a yearlong hiatus due to the pandemic in 2020.

"It's a symbol of being together," Evans Mayor Brian Rudy said. "Anytime we can celebrate together we're a stronger community and Heritage Days is a perfect way to do that."

The two-day festival kicks off at 4pm on Friday with live music, food trucks, games for kids, and a variety of family-friendly activities. The event continues on Saturday morning with the Heritage Day pancake breakfast, parade, live music and games.

"This year's event is especially important," Evans Communications Manager Lance Snow said. "Everyone needs something to rally around and feel good about and Heritage Days is a perfect way to do it."

Admission is free. Friday's festivities will be held at Riverside Park. On Saturday, the party shifts to City Park for the pancake breakfast, parade, petting zoo, and many other activities.

Masks no longer required in court

In accordance with guidance from the District Court of Weld County, the Evans Municipal Court will no longer extend the requirement to wear facial coverings. Unvaccinated persons, including our employees, are encouraged to wear facial coverings in court.

If you are experiencing any of the following listed symptoms, have been diagnosed or tested positive, or have been exposed to someone who has been diagnosed or tested positive for COVID-19, please contact the court at least 24 hours in advance of your court appearance to make alternate arrangements.

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Fever of 100.4 OF or higher Sore throat Headache

Cough New loss of taste or smell Congestion or runny nose

Difficulty breathing Fever or Chills Nausea, vomiting

Muscle or body aches Fatigue Diarrhea



Word from Fire Chief Siemens

I woke up just before our pick-up truck lost traction and began to roll. We were travelling from my dad's office in Eaton back home to Loveland, riding in a single cab Datsun pick-up on Colorado State Highway 392. It was a summer Saturday afternoon in 1986 and I was 11 years old. I was wedged between my dad, who was driving, and my mom who was in the passenger seat. My 9-year-old sister sat on my mom's lap. Seat belt use was not common in our family at the time, and I had rested my head against my mom and fallen asleep.

What I was told when I woke up in the hospital was that a drunk driver had crossed over the center line causing my dad to swerve to avoid a head on collision. The Datsun began to roll causing my mom and sister to be ejected from the vehicle and thrown clear of the rolling pick-up. My dad grabbed me by my shirt collar and braced his arm against the roof of the cab and we remained in the truck as it rolled seven times before coming to rest in the roadside ditch.

My sister suffered several injuries including a ruptured ear drum and a skull fracture. My mom broke her neck and required numerous surgeries to repair the damage. I specifically remember overhearing one of the doctors tell my dad, "The firefighter's saved your wife's life today. If they hadn't known what to do, your wife would either be paralyzed or dead." Fortunately, after years of surgeries and healing, no one in my family has any permanent physical deficits from the crash.



Fire Chief Nick Siemens

Nick Siemens is the new Fire Chief for the Evans Fire Protection District. He was hired in the summer of 2021. Siemens spent the last 22 years in the fire service, starting as a volunteer firefighter in Iowa and spending the last 19 years working for the Cheyenne, Wyoming Fire Rescue.



The impact those firefighters had on my family that day helped me realize what I wanted to be "when I grew up" and I was eventually able to start taking firefighting and EMT classes in college. It was that training that allowed me to get hired as a career firefighter and start responding when other people needed help. Fast forward 35 years from the summer of our accident to 2021 and now I'm with Evans Fire District, working to ensure that our members are trained to do their best as they respond to your emergency with dedication, compassion, and excellence.

However, as Dr. W. Edwards Deming quoted years ago, "It's not enough to do your best; you must know what to do, and then do your best." One of the most challenging and rewarding aspects of the fire service is teaching new firefighters what to do on emergency scenes. Teaching our new firefighters the how and the why of firefighting and EMS response allows our experienced members to maintain their skills and share the tips and tricks they have learned over the years with our newest firefighters. When the firefighters know what to do, then we

can focus on improving speed, efficiency, and technique.

If you follow us on social media (Facebook or Instagram) you might have noticed an increased number of posts related to our fire department training. Firefighter certification is overseen by the Colorado Division of Fire Prevention & Control and requires training on numerous subjects in order to achieve certification. Just a few of the topics our firefighters are trained and tested on include personal protective equipment, ladders, fire extinguishment, and search & rescue. The training scenarios become more difficult as firefighters work their way through the ranks and take on more responsibilities. Our continued training means the men and women of Evans Fire District are first trained to know what to do, so they can then perform their best for the community we serve.

Whether our crews are getting ready for a medical emergency, a structure fire, or a rollover car crash, if you have any questions about our preparation or training (or any other social media posts), please feel free to leave a comment on the post or to reach out to me directly. Rest assured, your Evans Fire District firefighters know what to do, and we'll do it the best we can.



It's August and that means summer is in full sizzle! With blistering, dry weather ahead, residents might be concerned about their lawn. Before turning up sprinkler frequency (or maybe you have never changed your timer since it was installed!), be sure to check Denver Water's recommendations for how much water is really needed to use to keep a Northern Colorado lawn healthy in August. https://www.denverwater.org/residential/efficiency-tip/watering-your-lawn

Evans has a large percentage of clay in the native soil. This means that the soil can only absorb small amounts of water at a time before it starts to pool up and run off. This can be solved by setting sprinkler timers to run for shorter periods multiple times a day,

> rather than one long run. By making these small changes to sprinkler timers, less water can be used, and more money can be saved!

For Example: An irrigation zone with pop ups should run for a total of 14 minutes for every day it waters (3 days a week). Due to the native soil, it is suggested to water this zone for 7 minutes at a time and have two separate start times for every watering day.

Contact Water Conservation Coordinator Justine Schoenbacher

Our Water Conservation Coordinator has been hard at work developing programs to save water in residential homes, city operations, and providing information to City of Evans residents and businesses.

Reach out to Justine Schoenbacher at justine.schoenbacher@evanscolorado.gov or (970)-475-1186 if you have questions about how to reset your sprinkler settings or any other water conservation topics.



Water Conservation Coordinator Justine Schoenbacher

Water Conservation Program online

View the updated web site at: www.evanscolorado.gov/water/conservation

Water Conservation Tips ● Policies ● Programs

DESIGN PHASE NEXT FOR DAVINCI PARK













The public spoke and City Council listened. DaVinci Park in the Tuscany subdivision will move forward into the design phase in August. The company Confluence has been contracted to create the design that will be modeled after the "Knoll concept" pictured above.

"This was a direct result of resident's participation," Parks and Operations Director Scott Sandridge, said. "We were impressed with the amount of valuable input we received from residents both online and in-person."

Nearly 200 people responded to an online survey about the future design of DaVinci Park. Another set of neighbors showed up to an outdoor, neighborhood meeting on a 100 degree day to share their vision of neighborhood park with the City of Evans Parks Department.

The public had two options for the park layout: The Knoll or the DaVinci design. Both are pictured below. In the online survey, the Knoll was a heavy favorite with more than 60% of the vote. The public was also able to vote on features like picnic tables, terraces, and open lawn space. Evans City Council will review the designs and the public's input and make a final decision before construction starts late in the summer. The park should be completed by the fall of 2021.

Once the design phase is complete, construction is expected to begin in September/October, with an anticipated opening Fall of 2021.







CHECKING IN CITY PROJECTS UPDATE

ITY OF EVANS INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

Street Improvements continue in August



47th Avenue Widening

This project will widen 47th Avenue from the City Limits to just north of 37th Street to a 4-lane arterial road with a median, turn lanes and 10-ft detached sidewalks. Sections of the road will have a 16-foot-wide planted median. DeFalco Construction is the General Contractor on the project. The project will be completed by September and the cost is estimated at \$3,503,943.



2021 Chip Seal

This project consists of chip sealing roads in neighborhoods around Evans, including Old Town Evans, Ashcroft Heights, the Ridge at Prairie View, North Point, Willowbrook, The Village, Hunter's Reserve. Neville's Crossing, and Sunnyside. Vance Brothers is doing the work. The process consists of placement of oil, then chips on day 1 and a second coat of oil the following

day. The road can be driven on immediately after the chip placement and about 30 minutes after the 2nd coat of oil has been placed. Evans will also place a product called Reclamite on 49th Street from 35th Avenue to Branter Road to rejuvenate the existing oils in the asphalt to extend the life of the existing road and the recently completed patches. This project cost is estimated at \$300,000.



2021 Patching

This project consists of patching larger areas of road settlement in neighborhoods around Evans caused by subgrade issues. The patching is done ahead of chip seal operations to reduce the chance of more settlement after the chip seal. Colorado Paving is doing the work and should be wrapping up in the next few weeks. This project cost is estimated at \$135,000.



2021 Concrete Replacement

This project consists of replacing damaged concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk and ADA ramps in neighborhoods around Evans. Naranjo Construction is doing the work and should be wrapping up in the next few weeks. This project cost is estimated at \$400,000.



2021 Road Reconstruction

This project consists of the mill and overlay of 15th Avenue and Collins Avenue between 32nd and 34th Streets. Stagecoach Drive was completely reconstructed between Stampede and 39th Avenue. Also, some large pavement patches were placed on 37th Street east of 65th Avenue, 65th Avenue south of 37th Street and the intersection of 49th Street and 65th Avenue.

Construction on this project should be wrapping up in mid-July. The project cost is estimated at \$700,000.





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Evans Recreation

1100 37th Street Evans, CO 80620

970-475-1125

www.evanscolorado.gov/recreation recreation@evanscolorado.gov Heritage Days
Recreation Center Hours
Fall Sports
Hot Shot Basketball
Pound Fitness
Zumba





Recreation Center Hours

Monday & Friday 6:00AM - 6:00PM

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 6:00AM - 8:00PM











REGISTRATION: JUNE 28TH-AUGUST 8TH

\$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO REGISTRATIONS AFTER AUGUST 8TH, BASED ON AVAILABILITY. TEAMS ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

EVANS RECREATION JERSEYS ARE \$15 AND AVAILABLE AT THE RECREATION FRONT DESK.

FLAG FOOTBALL & SOCCER:

Practices start the week of Aug. 23rd First game is Sep. 4th (no games Sep 18th)

HOT SHOT K-2ND GRADE \$40

EXTREME 3RD-6TH GRADE \$50

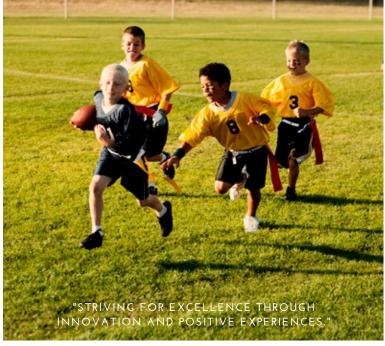
VOLLEYBALL:

Practices start the week of Aug. 30th First game is Sep. 11th

Volleyball is played through the Northern Valley Athletic Association (NVAA) which includes the towns of Eaton, Estes Park, Evans, Fort Lupton, Keenesburg, LaSalle, Platteville, and Wiggins.

Games can be played at any of these sites during the season.

1100 37TH ST | 970-475-1125 | RECREATION@EVANSCOLORADO.GOV | WWW.EVANSCOLORADO.GOV/RECREATION









HOT SHOT BASKETBALL

KINDERGARTEN, 1ST GRADE, 2ND GRADE

REGISTRATION: AUGUST 30-OCTOBER 10

COST: \$40

\$10 LATE FEE WILL BE ADDED TO ANY REGISTRATIONS AFTER OCTOBER 10, BASED ON AVAILABILITY.
TEAMS ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

REVERSIBLE BLUE/WHITE EVANS JERSEY: \$15 AVAILABLE AT THE RECREATION FRONT DESK.

PRACTICES WILL BE ONCE PER WEEK AND WILL START THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25

FIRST GAME WILL BE NOVEMBER 6

PRACTICES WILL BE AT THE EVANS
RECREATION CENTER OR A LOCAL SCHOOL.
GAMES WILL BE PLAYED ON SATURDAYS AT
THE EVANS RECREATION CENTER.

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Rotating Pairs Reverse Grass Volleyball Tournament

RIVERSIDE BALL FIELDS
CHECK-IN BEGINS AT 7:30 AM
GAMES BEGIN AT 8 AM

\$50 PER TEAM (PAIR)
ONE SET TO 25

TEAM REGISTRATION: JULY 12 - AUGUST 8

Please contact Kylee Krominga at kkrominga@evanscolorado.gov for more information.





Dance your way to a healthier you with a fitness program that works for everybody and every body! We take the "work" out of workout, by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, calorie-burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and World rhythms take over, you'll see why Zumba Fitness classes are often called "exercise in disguise".

WEDNESDAYS | 6:00-7:00 PM \$30

5 participant min | 9 participant max

Session runs August 11 - September 29





ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

MONDAY

9:15-10:00 am CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am Yoga

TUESDAY

8:30-9:15 am Classic

9:30-10:15 am Circuit

WEDNESDAY

8:15-9:00 am Classic

9:15-10:00 am CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am Yoga

THURSDAY

8:30-9:15 am Classic

9:30-10:15 am Circuit

FRIDAY

9:15-10:00 am CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am Yoga

10:15-11:00 am Stability (Dance Studio)

NOTES

All classes are FREE for SilverSneakers and RenewActive members. For all others, we have Senior Fitness Punch Passes available: 15 classes for \$35 or 30 classes for \$68.

Session dates are ongoing.

City of Evans Contact Info

Emergency Services	911	3
After Hours Non-Emergency	(970) 356-1212	3
Building Inspections	(970) 475-2211	3
Building Permits	(970) 475-1120	3
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1109	3
City Clerk	(970) 475-1104	3
City Council	(970) 475-1104	3
City Managers Office	(970) 475-1108	3
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1115	3
Community Development	(970) 475-1120	3
Court	(970) 475-1123	3
Economic Development	(970) 475-1112	3
Employment	(970) 475-1161	3
Engineering/Mapping	(970) 475-1160	3
Evans Cemetery	(970) 475-1104	3
Fire Prevention/Reports	(970) 339-3920	3
General Information	(970) 475-1170	3
Police Department	(970) 339-2441	3
Pothole Hotline	(970) 475-1183	
Recreation Programs	(970) 475-1125	3
Senior Programs	(970) 475-1129	3
Stormwater Hotline	(970) 475-1183	3
Water and Sewer Billing	(970) 475-1170	3

Local Agencies

Evans Area Chamber of Commerce	(970) 330-4204	3
Small Business Development Center	(970) 351-4274	3
Upstate Colorado	(970) 356-4565	3
Greeley/Evans School District	(970) 348-6000	3
Weld County	(970) 356-4000	3

City Schedule

All meetings held at The City of Evans Community Complex 1100 37th Street, Evans, Colorado, unless otherwise noted. Call (970) 475-1170 for more information.

Find agendas, minutes and packets online by clicking on the icon below.

www.evanscolorado.gov/citycouncil



Regularly Scheduled Meetings

- City Council Work Sessions First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
- City Council Meetings First and Third Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
 - Planning Commission Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm
 - Water and Sewer Board Third Thursday at 3:30 pm
- SBDC Small Business Counseling Every Wednesday beginning at 9:00 am Riverside Library and Cultural Center
- Evans Fire District Board of Directors Fourth Monday of each month



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